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Ladies and Gentlemen:

This is in support of Docket #98P-0151/CPI which would ban the sale of downed animals for slaughter. This ban will act as an important incentive for more humane treatment of the animals killed for meat. Such an incentive is especially needed now, when the public is becoming more concerned about humane treatment in light of recent exposés of slaughterhouse conditions. We Americans have traditionally counted on federal regulation to keep meat production safe for human consumption and as painless as possible for the animals.

Sincerely yours,

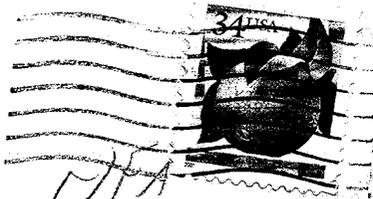


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